

To the Members of the California State Assembly:

I am returning Assembly Bill 2443 without my signature.

This bill, while well-intentioned, detracts from the mission and purpose of the Medical Board of California. The Board should be focused on successfully implementing its current licensure, regulatory and enforcement activities before attempting to offer new programs outside its highest priority – protecting the health and safety of consumers.

For this reason, I am unable to sign this bill.

Sincerely,

Arnold Schwarzenegger